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1. FOLLOWING, FOR POST INFORMATION ONLY, IS TEXT OF LETTER FROM PRESIDENT NIXON TO PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENE THAT WILL BE DELIVERED BY MR. NEWSOM DURING HIS VISIT TO ALGERIA.

2. QUOTE THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON, APRIL 9, 1973.
HIS EXCELLENCY HOUARI BOUMEDIENE, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE REVOLUTION AND PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC AND POPULAR REPUBLIC OF ALGERIA, ALGIERS. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: THE VISIT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY NEWSOM TO ALGIERS GIVES ME A WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO CONVEY MY PERSONAL REGARDS AND TO EXPRESS MY SATISFACTION WITH THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF NEGOTIATIONS OVER ALGERIAN NATURAL GAS.

QUOTE THE AGREEMENTS SIGNED ON MARCH 31 CAN BEGIN A PERIOD OF COOPERATION IMPORTANT TO US BOTH- IT IS MY HOPE THAT IN THE YEARS AHEAD WE CAN CONTINUE TO BROADEN AND DEEPEN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

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QUOTE PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. PRESIDENT, MY CONTINUED BEST
WISHES FOR THE PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY OF ALGERIA. SIN-
CERELY, RICHARD NIXON. UNQUOTE. ROGERS

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